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SUBJECT: GOC GRANTS HONORARY CANADIAN CITIZENSHIP  
TO RAUL WALLENBERG

1. BOTH THE HOUSE OF COMMONS AND THE SENATE HAVE PASSED ALL-PARTY RESOLUTIONS DECLARING WORLD WAR II SWEDISH DIPLOMAT RAUL WALLENBERG AN HONORARY CANADIAN CITIZEN. VOTING ON THE RESOLUTION TOOK PLACE TO COINCIDE WITH THE UNITED NATIONS INTERNATIONAL HUMAN RIGHTS DAY. A LONG-TIME COMMONS STAFFER TOLD EMBOFF THAT WALLENBERG, WHO IS CREDITED WITH SAVING THOUSANDS OF JEWS FROM THE NAZIS, IS THE ONLY PERSON IN RECENT MEMORY WHO HAS BEEN GIVEN HONORARY CITIZENSHIP.

2. LIBERAL MP MARCEL PRUD'HOMME AND CONSERVATIVE SENATOR HEATH MACQUARRIE, BOTH MEMBERS OF THE CANADA ARAB WORLD PARLIAMENTARY ASSOCIATION AND NOTED FOR THEIR PRO-PLO SYMPATHIES, CRITICIZED THE SWIFT MANNER IN WHICH THE RESOLUTIONS WERE TABLED AND VOTED UPON.  
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